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UNCLAS. MAY 20. LEADING, HIGH CIRCULATION LA PRENSA GRAFICA CONSIDERERS THE RELATIVELY UNHERALDED SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION AND NEGOTIATION MEETING NOW TAKING PLACE IN BUENOS AIRES TO BE VERY IMPORT IN EVALUATING COMMERICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND LATIN AMERICA. THE EDITORIAL EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT THIS OAS-SPONSORED MEETING WILL ALSO PROMOTE BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE US GSP AND WILL BRING ABOUT IMPROVEMENT IN THE OVERALL COMMERCIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US AND ITS LATIN NEIGHBORS

PARTIAL TEXT FOLLOWS:

"RELACIONES COMERCIALES LATINOAMERICA-EE.UU. ESTA CELEBRANDOSE EN BUENOS AIRES, UNA REUNION DE LA COMISION ESPECIAL DE CONSULTA Y NEGOCIACION (CECON).

"AUN CUANDO EL OBJECTIVE FUNDAMENTAL DE ESA REUNION ES EL DE EVALUAR LAS ACTUALES RELACIONES COMERCIALES ENTRE EE.UU. Y LOS PAISES DE LATINOAMERICA, APARENTEMENTE HA SIDO ESCASO EL INTERES QUE HAN DEMOSTRADO LOS GOVIERNOS DE ESTE LADO DEL RIO BRAVO. " LAS INFORMACIONES EMANADAS DE LA OEA DICEN QUE LA REUNION DE LA CECON EN BUENOS AIRES, TIENE COMO TEMA CENTRAL LA EVLUACION DEL PRIMER ANO DE LA APLICACION DEL SISTEMA GENERAL DE PREFERENCIAS -SGP-DE LOS EE.UU. EL SGP ESTA CONTEMPLADO EN LA LEY GENERAL DE COMERCIO EXTERIOR DE EE.UU., PROMULGADA POR EL PRESIDENTE FOR EN ENERO DE 1976. UNCLASSIFIED

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"COMO SE RECORDARA LA PRECITADA LEY GENERAL DE COMERCIO, FUE OBJETO DE DUROS ATAQUES POR PARTE DE LOS PAISES LATINOAMERICANOS POR DIVERSAS RAZONES. ALGUNOS OBJETARON QUE ESA LEY GENERAL DE COMERCIO, NO EAR LO SUFICIENTEMENT CLARA EN CUANTO AL INTERCAMBIO COMERCIAL EE.UU. LATINOAMERICA. ESTO DIO LUGAR A UN INTERCAMBIO DE OPINIONES, PUES EL DEPARTAMENTO DE COMERCIO NORTEAMERICANO ALEGO QUE, POR EL CONTRARIO, ERAN NUMEROSOS

LOS PRODUCTOS LATINOAMERICANOS QUE ENCONTRARIAN SUFICIENTES FACILIDADES EN EL MERCADO NOTEAMERICANO AL HACER USO DEL SGP. Y MAS AUN CON LAS CLAUSULAS DE CASTIGO PARA LOS PAISES DE LA OPEP, ECUADOR Y VENEZUELA.

"CON LOS ANTECEDENTES QUE DEJAMOS ANOTADOS, NADA EXTRANO RESULTA... PESE A LA IMPORTANCIA INTRINSECA DEL TEMA, YA QUE EL SGP TIENE INNEHABLE INFLUENCIA EN EL MEJORAMIENTO DE LAS RELACIONES COMERCIALES TOTALES ENTRE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS Y LATINOAMERICA."

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